FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BRANDT ERIC					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC /								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
					MA [ VRTX ]								X	Director			10% Ov	/ner	
(Last)	(Fi	irst)	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2003									Officer (give title below)			Other (s below)	pecify
(Street)					4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(City)	(Si	tate)	(Zip)		-									X	Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person				
		Tab	le I - Noi	n-Deriv	vativ	e Se	curitie	s Ac	cquired, D	Disp	osed o	f, or Bei	neficial	ly C	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Day/Year) if		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Dis		ties Acquire I Of (D) (Ins		1   1	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Form	Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code V		Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	- 1					(Instr. 4)	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of E		<b>Expiration D</b>	. Date Exercisable ar Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)		7. Title an Amount o Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 ar	f g Security	De Se	Price of erivative ecurity istr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)	e s lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	er					
Stock Option	14.46	06/01/2003			A		7,500		06/01/2003 <sup>(1</sup>	) 0	5/31/2013	Common	7,500		\$ <sub>0</sub>	27,500	0	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Right to buy under the 1996 Stock and Option Plan. Fully vested.  $\,$ 

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-

In-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

06/03/2003

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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